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ITEM 1

Plan for Conducting Psychological Operations
during General Hostilities

Summary: This item is carried forward from previous meetings. At the last meeting of the Board, the Deputy Secretary of Defense indicated he had not had sufficient time to study the comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. It was understood, however, that these comments would be available to the other members of the Board to study prior to the next meeting. The Joint Chiefs of Staff's comments were not released to the Director of the PSB or the members of the Board.

It is anticipated that they will be placed before the Board at the meeting and a verbal briefing made by the Representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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ITEM 2

Psychological Operations Plan for Reduction of

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Summary: You have forwarded your comments in writing to the Director of the Psychological Strategy Board with respect to this plan. Under the subparagraphs of paragraph 2, page 12; paragraph 1.b., page 15; and page 22, CIA feels it can render intelligence/operational support to the Department of State and recommends that "CIA TO SUPPORT" be included.

The principal amendments offered by CIA are in Section VI, as follows:

Paragraph I.A., 4th line: Delete "including," and substitute, which a member of the Psychological Strategy Board Staff cleared for covert activities shall chairman and which will include.

Add a paragraph C to paragraph I, as follows: The reports of the various members shall be made available to the others, except

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Recommendation: That you approve the plan subject to inclusion of the revisions (above) previously furnished by you in writing to the Director of the PSB.

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ITEM 3

Staff Study on Publicity with respect to
Certain Weapons

Summary: It had been agreed at a previous meeting of the Board that the Committee would draft its own Terms of Reference. The terms presented are objective, and responsive to the intent of the Board. An editorial revision is suggested to paragraph 2.4., as set out in your comments submitted in writing to the Director of the PSB.

Recommendation: That you approve the Terms of Reference as submitted by Panel D.

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Program for Soviet Orbit Escapee—Phase "B"

Summary: In response to the approval by the Board at a previous meeting, Terms of Reference for a study on the Program for Soviet Orbit Escapees has been prepared by the PSB Staff. These terms are so general that it becomes imperative for the panel to definitely establish limits within the context of the problem from which a feasible and phased plan can be evolved. Your comments in writing to the Director of the PSB have stressed the need for the panel to carefully formulate, as a first order of business, its concepts and outline the immediate practical limits around which a study can be built.

There are two alternatives: to require a rewrite of the Terms of Reference more specifically; or, preferably, to accept the broad statement of the problem, the objectives, and the principal tasks as outlined in the Terms of Reference, with the proviso that the panel narrow and phase the scope of its study to complete it within feasible capabilities.

Recommendation: That you approve the Terms of Reference as stated for guidance purposes for the panel, with the stipulation that the actual study must be narrowed in scope to consideration of immediate practicable U. S. capabilities.

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ITEM 5

Terms of Reference for Sub-Panel E-1
(Inventory--Second Stage)

Summary: The Terms of Reference herein proposed concerned themselves with a problem involving concrete steps to frustrate Soviet blackmail tactics. Suggested techniques are then listed for consideration. The problem is one of specific direct approach within a limited concept and with specific objectives inherent. The matter of operational techniques could more properly be undertaken by the Psychological Operations Coordinating Committee, who can establish working groups and maintain liaison with other Governmental agencies, such as the Federal Maritime Commission and the Federal Communications Commission, to obtain more detailed knowledge of their support capabilities for actions as outlined in the Terms of Reference and the conceivable promulgation of better actions.

Recommendation: That you favor the transference of this task under these Terms of Reference to the Psychological Operations Coordinating Committee.

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